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EAST SAN JOAQUIN WATER QUALITY COALITION SEMI-ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT REVIEW

This letter serves to acknowledge receipt of the East San Joaquin Water Quality Coalition (Coalition) Semi-Annual Monitoring Report (SAMR), on 14 January 2008. The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board staff (Staff) evaluated the SAMR for compliance with Board Order No. R5-2003-0833 (Board Order) and provided the attached review memorandum.

The memorandum notes that the Coalition is consistent with the Board Order in providing the following:

- Documentation for management practices survey results by subwatershed.
- Current pesticide use information that is coordinated with the timing and location of exceedances.
- Completeness reporting for quality control samples in accordance with acceptance limits
- Correct application of follow-up to toxicity exceedances through toxicity identification evaluations.

Staff did identify some areas that require more attention, which include the need to assess the management practice survey results and management practice effectiveness. Our recommendation is that these matters be resolved through the development of the Coalition's MRP Plan revision and development of Management Plans.

Overall, the consistency and the quality with which the Coalition's SAMRs are developed and submitted are worth recognizing at this time. In particular, the submittal of monitoring data in SWAMP comparable database format and the Coalition's participation in the Technical Issues Committee through Mike Johnson and Melissa Turner are very much appreciated. It is anticipated that through this continued cooperation, an exemplary and very effective MRP Plan for the Coalition can be generated and implemented.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the review, or need any further information, please contact Dania Huggins at (916) 464-4843.

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